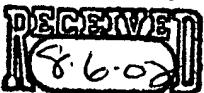


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COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS
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Sir:

This Request for Reconsideration is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2002. A Petition for a One Month Extension of Time is enclosed, extending the time for responding until August 10, 2002. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following.

Claim Status

Claims 1-16 are pending and are rejected. Claims 1, 3, 6 and 9 are independent in form.

Claim Rejections

Claim 1 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by the previously cited Mimura. The remaining claims have been rejected under 35 USC §103 as being unpatentable over Mimura in combination with other references, all of which were also previously cited, as follows: claim 2: Mimura in view of Munson; claims 3-5 Mimura in view of Iwasaki; claims 6-8 Mimura in view of Iwasaki and further in view of Shimuzu; claims 9-15 Mimura in view of Iwasaki and further in view of Faltermeier; and claim 16 Mimura in view of Iwasaki and Faltermeier and further in view of Arai et al.

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